

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

1. Please add the following paragraph, prior to the first line of the application, stating:

This application is entering the nationalization stage from PCT Application No. PCT/DE03/002352 under 35 U.S.C. § 371(c) filed on July 11, 2003, designating the U.S., and claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 365(a)-(c) to German Patent Application 102 31 964.2 filed in Germany on July 15, 2002, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Please delete the paragraph at page 3, ll. 17-20.